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apron; pubic-cover; bead

Object Type

[apron](#)
[pubic-cover](#)
[bead](#)

Museum number

Af2000,05.1

Description

Triangular pubic apron composed of cylindrical glass beads in red, yellow, white, mid blue and dark blue arranged in interlocking triangle and lozenge patterns. Cotton cord attached to top of apron to tie round body. Other two sides of apron decorated with cowrie shells. Worn by women and girls.

Production ethnic group

Made by: [Hausa](#) (?)
Made by: [Tiv](#) (?)

Production date

1970-1975

Production place

Made in: [Nigeria](#)
Africa: sub-Saharan Africa: Nigeria

Findspot

Found/Acquired: [Nigeria](#)
Africa: sub-Saharan Africa: Nigeria

Materials

[glass](#)
[cotton](#)
[cowrie shell](#)

Technique

[beadwork](#)

Dimensions

Height: Height: 17 centimetres

Width: Width: 58 centimetres ((cord extended))((cord extended))

Depth: Depth: 1.50 centimetres

Curator's comments

Many of the objects in this collection were previously displayed in an exhibition, 'The Arts of the Hausa', at the Commonwealth Institute, 1976, as part of the World of Islam Festival. Eth.Doc.364.

Location

Not on display

Condition

Generally good condition. Some beads missing.

Acquisition name

Purchased from: David Heathcote

Acquisition date

2000

Acquisition notes

The collection Af2000,05.1 to 112 was purchased from David Heathcote. It is recorded in the purchase book as "a collection from the Hausa people, northern Nigeria, consisting of leatherwork, musical instruments, toys, domestic vessels, beadwork and stools, collected by the vendor in northern Nigeria during the 1970s."
See Eth.Doc.364

Department

Africa, Oceania and the Americas

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Conservation

Treatment

